

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**
(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Application Number | 10538600 |
| Filing Date | 2006-10-27 |
| First Named Inventor | Werner Bieck |
| Art Unit | 2855 |
| Examiner Name | Noori, Max H |
| Attorney Docket Number | ETF-0024 |

| U.S.PATENTS | | | | | | Remove |
|--------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|--|
| Examiner Initial* | Cite No | Patent Number | Kind Code ¹ | Issue Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
| /MN/ | 1 | 4786767 | | 1988-11-22 | Kuhlman | |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Patent citation information please click the Add button.

Add

| U.S.PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS | | | | | | Remove |
|--|---------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|
| Examiner Initial* | Cite No | Publication Number | Kind Code ¹ | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
| | 1 | | | | | |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Published Application citation information please click the Add button.

Add

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | | | Remove | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Examiner Initial* | Cite No | Foreign Document Number ³ | Country Code ² | Kind Code ⁴ | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T ⁵ |
| | 1 | | | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you wish to add additional Foreign Patent Document citation information please click the Add button

Add

| NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS | | | | | | | Remove |
|--|---------|---|--|--|--|--|----------------|
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | | | | | T ⁵ |
| | | | | | | | |

| | | |
|--|------------------------|--------------|
| INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)</i> | Application Number | 10538600 |
| | Filing Date | 2006-10-27 |
| | First Named Inventor | Werner Bieck |
| | Art Unit | 2855 |
| | Examiner Name | Noori, Max H |
| | Attorney Docket Number | ETF-0024 |

| | | | |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| | 1 | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|

If you wish to add additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button

EXAMINER SIGNATURE

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|
| Examiner Signature | /Max Noori/ | Date Considered | 09/04/2008 |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. ² Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ³ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁵ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.